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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF BONN ANTI-HIJACKING
DECLARATION

REF: A. STATE 185585; B. STATE 186923

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED INFO IN REFTELS ON JULY 27 WITH
DEPDIR UN BUREAU SPECIALIZED AGENCIES DIVISION YUBUN
SASAKI WHO WILL ATTEND AUGUST 1-2 MEETINGS. SASAKI SAID
INTERDEPARTMENTAL GROUP, COMPOSED OF MOFA, DEPARTMENTS OF
TRANSPORTATION AND JUSTICE, AND POLICE REPS, HAD MET
JULY 26 AND WOULD MEET AGAIN JULY 28 TO CONSIDER ISSUES
INVOLVED IN IMPLEMENTATION OF BONN DECLARATION.

2. SASAKI SAID GOJ HAD MAJOR PROBLEM WITH IMPLEMENTATION
OF DECLARATION WHICH IT WAS NOW TRYING TO RESOLVE. UNDER
CURRENT LAWS, GOJ WAS ABLE TO SUSPEND GOJ FLIGHTS TO
COUNTRIES WHICH REFUSED TO PROSECUTE OR EXTRADITE AIRCRAFT
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HIJACKERS AND/OR DID NOT RETURN SUCH AIRCRAFT. IT DID NOT,
HOWEVER, HAVE AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND SERVICE OF THAT COUNTRY'S
AIRLINE TO JAPAN IF A BILATERAL TREATY WERE IN EXISTENCE.
GOJ LEGAL POSITION WAS THAT SUCH TREATIES TOOK PRECEDENCE
OVER LESS FORMAL AGREEMENTS SUCH AS THE BONN DECLARATION.
JAPAN WAS ANXIOUS TO IMPLEMENT AGREEMENT AND DID NOT WISH
TO IMPEDE MOMENTUM GAINED AT BONN SUMMIT. THUS, MOFA WAS

WORKING HARD TO RESOLVE THIS PROBLEM AND HOPED AUGUST 1-2 MEETINGS WOULD PROVIDE SOME USEFUL GUIDELINES.

3. ON QUESTION OF DEMARCHE, SASAKI SAID HE UNDERSTOOD THAT FRG WOULD NOT UNDERTAKE DEMARCHE ON BEHALF OF SEVEN UNTIL APPROVAL WAS RECEIVED FROM ALL CAPITALS. SASAKI CONFIDENTIAL

THOUGHT JAPANESE AGREEMENT WOULD BE SENT ON JULY 27. JAPANESE PLANNED TO HANDLE DEMARCHE WITH CAMBODIA THROUGH EMBASSY IN PEKING. HE SAID GOJ INTERDEPARTMENTAL GROUP HAD NOT DISCUSSED THE QUESTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL DEMARCHES. SASAKI PERSONALLY WONDERED WHETHER IT MIGHT NOT BE PREFERABLE TO ALLOW FRG TO REPRESENT SEVEN.

4. JAPANESE DELEGATION TO AUGUST 1-2 MEETINGS WILL BE HEADED BY KIYOSHI TEKAJIMA, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIVISION, AVIATION BUREAU, MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION. IN ADDITION TO SASAKI, OTHER DELEGATES WILL BE YASUTOMI, HEAD OF ANTI-HIJACKING GROUP, MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION, AND MASAMICHI ISHIKAWA, OF MOFA TREATIES BUREAU. MANSFIELD

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